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A TREATISE ON THE LAW OF RES JUDICATA, including the Doctrines of Jurisdiction, Bar by Suit and Lis Pendens. By HUKM CHAND, M.A. Printed at the Education Society's Steam Press, Byculla, Bombay. William Clowes & Son, London. William Green & Sons, Edinburgh. 1894.

THE NATURE OF THE STATE. By DR. PAUL CARUS. Chicago: The Open Court Publishing Co. 1894.

SELECTED CASES.

A SELECTION OF CASES AND OTHER AUTHORITIES UPON CRIMINAL LAW. By JOSEPH HENRY BEALE, JR., Assistant Professor of Law in Harvard University. Cambridge: Harvard Law Review Publishing Association. 1894.

AMERICAN ELECTRICAL CASES, being a Collection of all the Important Cases (excepting Patent Cases) Decided in the State and Federal Courts from 1873 on Subjects Relating to the Telegraph, Telephone, etc., with Annotations. Edited by WILLIAM W. MORRILL. Vol. I (1873-1885). Albany, N. Y.: Matthew Bender. 1894.

BOOKS OF REFERENCE.

TABLES FOR ASCERTAINING THE PRESENT VALUE OF VESTED AND CONTINGENT RIGHTS OF DOWER, CURTESY, ANNUITIES AND OTHER LIFE ESTATES; DAMAGES FOR DEATH OR INJURY BY WRONGFUL ACT, ETC. Based chiefly upon the Carlisle Table of Mortality. Computed and Compiled by FLORIEN GIAUQUE and HENRY B. MCCLURE. Cincinnati: Robert Clarke & Co. 1894.

PAMPHLETS.

GREAT DISSENTING OPINIONS OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES. A paper read at the Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the American Bar Association (1894). By HAMPTON L. CARSON, of the Philadelphia Bar.

PROBLEMS AND QUIZ IN COMMON LAW PLEADING. By EARL HOPKINS. St. Paul: West Publishing Co. 1894.

BOOK REVIEWS.

A TREATISE ON THE FOREIGN POWERS AND JURISDICTION OF THE BRITISH CROWN. By W. E. HALL. Oxford: The Clarendon Press. London: Stevens & Sons, Limited, New York: MacMillan & Co. Price, \$2.60. 1894.

The editors have received the above work, written by WILLIAM E. HALL, the celebrated English barrister, whose well-known text-book on "International Law" has already run through three editions and has placed its author in the front rank of modern English writers upon this subject. The best proof of Mr. HALL's standing in this respect, upon this side of the Atlantic, is the fact that it is the standard text-book on international law in use at the present time at Harvard University.

The subject of Mr. HALL's latest production is necessarily

more restricted in its scope than his earlier work. Much of what he has to say is confined in its application to Great Britain only, and in this respect it differs materially from the majority of the books which are reviewed in these columns. Thus, it contains paragraphs upon such subjects as the status in England of naturalized aliens, naturalization in the colonies, the legality under British statutes of marriages in foreign countries, the powers of British consuls, the jurisdiction of the Crown in the countries of the East and other semi-civilized regions. These sections of the book obviously have no general application except in cases where some question has arisen involving a British statute. On the other hand, there are other sections which would be quite as valuable to the American lawyer as to his British confrère. Thus, the admirable discussion in Chapter IV, of the jurisdiction of the Crown on the high seas, treats of a much-discussed question of international law of quite as much interest here as there. The members of our Bar, if the occasion should arise, will find of great practical value Mr. HALL's remarks on such subjects as the rights of a State with reference to its subjects abroad, changes of nationality, extra-territorial marriages, and diplomatic agents.

Mr. HALL's style of composition has always been distinguished for its clearness combined with the quality of great compactness. His statements are classified in paragraphs, appropriately summarized in short marginal notes. This style of arrangement renders the book very easy reading, and one which is very convenient to refer to in search of extracts and references. At the end of the book the author has introduced a system of indices which is a considerable advance upon those generally found in law books of this class. They are five in number, and cover in succession the following topics: Statutes, Orders in Council, Cases, Treaties, and, lastly, the General Index. The use of the book for purposes of practice is greatly aided by this feature of it. The general appearance of the book does great credit to the English publishers, and also to MacMillan & Co., who are the publishers in this country.

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